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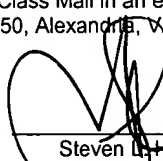
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TRANSCRIPTION FACTOR: COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS OF USE" by
Benoit de Crombrugghe et al.
(Client Ref. No. MDA00-049)
Our Ref. UTXC:666US / Matter No. 10020625*

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced patent application is:

1. Amendment and Request For Reconsideration Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111;
2. Figures 1-10 on 18 sheets;
3. Statement as Required Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.825(a) and (b) and Statement as Required Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(g), Copy of Sequence Listing and CD-Rom; and
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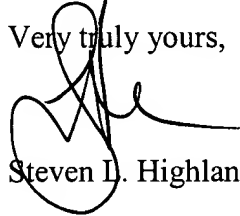
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